

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment, comprising:

~~performing a search in a first application to obtain a first search result based on a particular set of search terms, wherein the first application is being used by a first participant in an instant messaging conversation that also includes a second participant; transferring a first search result for a search, based on a particular set of search terms, from a first application on a first client to a first instant messaging environment on the first client;~~

in response to user input received by the first instant messaging environment:
transferring search data associated with the search over a network to a second instant messaging environment on a second client application that is being used by a second participant in the instant messaging conversation;
and

causing a control to be presented in the second instant messaging environment on the second client;

in response to user selection of the control presented in the second instant messaging environment:
transferring said search data from said second instant messaging environment on

the second client to a second application on said second client;

transferring a second search result from said second application to said second instant messaging environment; and

~~without requiring the second participant to specify the particular set of search terms, providing, in the second instant messaging environment, application, a said second search result based on the search data, wherein the second search result reflects a search that was performed based said particular set of search terms.~~

2-3 (Canceled).

4. (Original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search data includes the first search result.

5. (Original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search data includes a compressed representation of the first search result.

6. (Original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search data includes the particular set of search terms.

7. (Currently Amended) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, further comprising:

in response to user input received by the first instant messaging environment prior to

transferring the first search result:

causing the first application to perform the search using the particular set of

search terms to obtain the first search result wherein the search performed

in the first application is a first search, and

wherein in response to user selection of the control presented in the second

instant messaging environment the following further step is performed:

causing the second application to provide the second search result
includes performing a second search using the search data to
obtain the second search result.

8. (Currently Amended) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim [[1]] 7, wherein:

~~the search performed in the first application is a first search;~~
~~providing the second search result includes performing a second search using the search data; and~~
the first search result is approximately the same as the second search result.

9. (Currently Amended) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, further comprising:

in response to user input received by the first instant messaging environment prior to transferring the first search result;
causing the first application to perform the search using the particular set of search terms to obtain the first search result, wherein the first application
sends performing a search in a first application to obtain a first search result includes sending a search request to a server.

10. (Original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, further comprising displaying the first search result, wherein an item in the first search result is shown as a hyperlink.

11. (Original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, further comprising:

displaying the first search result;
selecting an item in the first search result and
placing the item in a shopping cart.

12. (Currently Amended) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, further comprising displaying a notification on the second application instant messaging environment, wherein the notification comprises the control.
13. (Original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search is performed within a search context of shopping.
14. (Original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search is performed within a search context of auction.
15. (Original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search is performed within a search context of news.
16. (Original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search is performed within a search context of stocks.
17. (Original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the messaging environment is an instant messaging environment.
18. (Original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the first application runs on a mobile device.
19. (Original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the second application runs on a mobile device.
20. (Currently Amended) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, further comprising displaying a web page associated with the search in the first instant messaging environment application and wherein the step of providing, in the second instant messaging environment, a second search result based on the search data comprises displaying the web page in the second instant messaging environment application.

21. (Currently Amended) A system for sharing data, comprising:
a first client and a second client;
said first client comprising:
 a first processor configured to:
 a first memory having first instructions stored therein, said first memory coupled
 to the first processor;
 wherein when said first processor executes the first instructions said first
 processor performs the following operations:
 perform a search in a first application, based on a particular set of search
 terms, to obtain a first search result;
 transfer the first search result from the first application to a first instant
 messaging environment; and
 in response to user input received by the first instant messaging
 environment:
 transfer search data associated with the search to a second
 application instant messaging environment on the second
 client to allow the second application to produce search
 results based on the particular set of search terms without
 requiring a user of the second application to specify the
 particular set of search terms;
said second client comprising:
a second processor;
a second memory having second instructions stored therein, said second memory
coupled to the second processor;

wherein when said second processor executes the second instructions said second processor performs the following operations:
respond to the search data transferred from the first instant messaging environment to the second instant messaging environment by causing a control to be presented in the second instant messaging environment on the second client;
in response to user selection of the control presented in the second instant messaging environment:
transfer said search data from said second instant messaging environment on the second client to a second application on said second client;
transfer a second search result from said second application to said second instant messaging environment; and
provide, in the second instant messaging environment, said second search result based on the search data, wherein the second search result reflects a search that was performed based said particular set of search terms.

~~wherein the second application is configured to provide a search result based on the search data; and~~

~~a memory coupled to the processor, configured to provide the processor with instructions.~~

22. (Currently Amended) A computer program product for sharing data, the computer program product being embodied in a computer readable medium and comprising computer instructions for:

~~performing a search in a first application to obtain a first search result based on a particular set of search terms;~~

transferring a first search result for a search, based on a particular set of search terms,
from a first application to a first instant messaging environment on a first client;
in response to user input received by the first instant messaging environment:
transferring search data associated with the search to a second instant messaging
environment on a second client application to allow the second application to produce
search results based on the particular set of search terms without requiring a user of the
second application to specify the particular set of search terms;
causing a control to be presented in the second instant messaging environment
on the second client;
in response to user selection of the control presented in the second instant messaging
environment:
transferring said search data from said second instant messaging environment on
the second client to a second application on said second client;
transferring a second search result from said second application to said second
instant messaging environment; and
providing, in the second application, a instant messaging environment, said
second search result based on the search data.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 1 wherein:
the method further comprises receiving user input that specifies a subset of the first
search result; and
the only part of the first search result that is included in the second search result is the
first subset of the first search result.